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A Tribute To J. J. Bowman

By Mrs. J. Franklin Vaughan

THIS GREAT, GREAT MAN HAS GONE HOME

All heaven rejoices, the angels sing.
There's praising in Heaven, the bells ring
Mortals are sad, but Christians know
Nothing compares to heaven on this earth below.
THIS GREAT, GREAT MAN HAS GONE HOME.

He was a man of charm and glorius grace,
Peace, love, joy for all shown on his face.
All in his path could throw their cares away.
Just hold his hand and heed the words he would say.
THIS GREAT, GREAT MAN HAS GONE HOME.

He wept with the sad, and rejoiced with the glad,
He lifted you up through the good times and bad,
He encouraged each person he met on this earth,
And made them believe in their own special worth.
THIS GREAT, GREAT MAN HAS GONE HOME.

J. J. Bowman's life was lived fully everyday,
From his example, we knew Jesus Christ was the only way.
The only hope, the only answer for how to live;
He made us all know how of ourselves to really give.
THIS GREAT, GREAT MAN HAS GONE HOME.

Though we're sad of heart and lonesome each day,
We will carry on by the example of his way.
His charm, wit, love, his hope for tomorrow,
Destroys our hurt and banishes our sorrow.
THIS GREAT, GREAT MAN HAS GONE HOME.

You friends of his, reach high the torch of God,
Spread his word everywhere that you trod.
Never forget his positive uplifting care!
PASS IT ON!! Live forever his love to share.
THIS GREAT, GREAT MAN HAS GONE HOME.

Seminar On Aging, May 2 - 4

BLACKSBURG - A seminar on Aging will be held at Virginia Tech, May 2-4, to discuss the problems and concerns of this segment of the population.

Sponsored by the Extension Division and the Virginia Tech Center on Gerontology, the seminar will feature workshops on such topics as: developing programs with older people; consumer concerns; housing; maintaining independence; recreational needs; and others.

Dr. Ethel L. Grubbs, Extension Specialist in family resources, who is coordinating the conference.

George L. Maddox, Jr., director of the Center on Aging at Duke University, Durham, N.C., will open the conference with an address entitled "Issues and Concerns in Gerontology."

Greg Arling, director of the Virginia Center on Aging at Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, will speak on "Opportunities in Gerontology in Virginia."

A highlight of the seminar will be a session on "Significance of Excercise Therapy in Coronary Artery Disease," and an exercise therapy program. William Herbert and William Webster, both members of the Virginia Tech faculty will lead this program.

Cost for the program is $31.

For more information, call or write the Appomattox County Extension Office (352-8244) or P. O. Box 488, Appomattox, Virginia 24522. There are registration forms available for anyone interested.

WHITE OAK GROVE JR. CHURCH TO SPONSOR SUNDAY PROGRAM

The White Oak Grove Junior Church will sponsor the service for Sunday night, Feb. 26, at 6 p.m. at the White Oak Grove Baptist Church.

Rev. Carl Jackson, of Brookneal, will be the speaker and music will be rendered by the Spring Hill Junior Choir.

The White Oak Grove Junior Church will sponsor a program Easter Sunday evening at 7 p.m.

The Pastor Speaks

"CHRIST IN YOU THE HOPE OF GLORY"

"To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." (Colossians 1:27 RSV).

The incarnation of Holy God into the flesh and blood of a human being named Jesus Christ is probably the greatest mystery that man must deal with in his search for meaning in life. A second great mystery is stated by the Apostle Paul about the "riches of the glory of that first mystery" which is now available to all men everywhere -- namely, the living Christ will come and live in us when we invite Him into our lives! What does this mean?

First, the very Lord of all creation will come and set up housekeeping in our lives. He lives in our lives every day. How exciting life can be with God living in us! **Second**, we will not have to face the problems and frustrations of this life alone. Christ will give us His strength to endure the crises that we all must face in this life on earth. **Third**, God will supply us with "God-Power" to do His work and accomplish His will. God has a purpose and will for each of our lives, and He helps us perform that which He would have us to do. **Fourth**, Christ in us gives us the desire to introduce others to our Lord and Savior. We have the abundant life when Christ lives in us, and we will want to share it with others! **Fifth**, Christ in us is God's pledge or guarantee that we already have a place reserved in Heaven. Abundant life here on earth and promise of eternal life after death - what more could anyone ask for in life!

Clarence H. Davis, Pastor
New Hope Baptist Church
Appomattox, VA

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS

By Lawrence W. Althouse

THE SHEPHERD IS YOU!

Lesson for February 26, 1978

Background Scripture: Psalms 23; 91
Devotional Reading: Psalms 91:1-10

"The Lord is my shepherd. I shall not want..."

So begins the best-known of all the psalms, perhaps even the best-known single chapter in the Bible or any scriptures. We all know what comfort and assurance these words can release within us. We have read them, heard them, sung them and seen them depicted in great works of art, but they never seem to lose their power.

Rev. Althouse

It is customary to receive these familiar words as a personal message of assurance and hope. After all, it was with that in mind that they were first written. Today, however, just for this once, at least, I'd like for you to consider the 23rd Psalm from a different perspective.

He restores me

The image of God as the Good Shepherd is very significant for us. Jesus himself picked this up and in the Gospel According to John we find him saying: "I am the good shepherd. As God meets our needs and protects his people, so Jesus also follows in that same role.

But although you and I are the "sheep" of whom both the psalmist and Jesus are speaking, our Lord makes it clear that there are times when we are to give up the role of being his "sheep" and become shepherds like him. In John 21 Jesus says to Simon Peter, "Feed my lambs" and "Tend my sheep." In his farewell to the Ephesian elders, Paul proclaims: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you guardians, to feed the church of the Lord..." (Acts 20:28). And in 1 Peter 5:2 we hear this exhortation: "Tend the flock of God that is your charge...And when the chief Shepherd is manifested you will obtain the unfading crown of glory."

The dark valley

Some will find it disturbing to think of Psalm 23 as a challenge as well as a comfort, but Jesus made it clear that discipleship is servanthood, even as he came not to be ministered unto, but to minister. So, as the psalmist declares how God has restored his strength and hope, so he also calls us to a ministry of restoring others. As he speaks of the protection God gives him in the dark valleys, so the Chief Shepherd calls us to use our resources to protect others. As we are reminded of the overflowing blessings given new to us each day by a loving Shepherd, so we are challenged to share what we have received to abundantly bless the lives of others. And it is not enough for me to declare that "goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life," unless I am willing also to become a channel of goodness and mercy for those around me.

Yes, the Chief Shepherd is always there to help, comfort, and sustain us, but let us remember that he sometimes intends the shepherd to be you.

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TO OBSERVE NINTH ANNIVERSARY

The Mount Shiloh Baptist Church Junior Choir is in the process of finalizing plans for their ninth anniversary. On Sunday, Feb. 19, 1978 at 3 o'clock, the Rev. Willard Smith, Junior Choir, and congregation of the North New Hope Baptist Church of Danville, Va., will be the guest for the occasion. A very special invitation is extended to all the churches and Junior Choirs of Appomattox County. Members of the choir are: from left to right, Deborah Kelso, Charlene Reed, Hilda Elliott, Mark Kelso, second row, Marzetta Hodnett, Gwen Turner, Carolyn Harvey, third row, Bonnie Hodnett and Andrew Kelso, Carolyn Hancock, Jean Hancock, Sarah Harvey, Gail Tanner and Kathy Turner were not present when the picture was taken. Mrs. William B. Turner, director and pianist of the group.

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HAPPINESS IS 4-H

By Frank H. Sweet
Extension Agent

Make your plans now to attend the 1978 Appomattox County 4-H Public Speaking Contest next Wednesday, March 1, at Appomattox Elementary School. The program will begin at 7 p.m. in the school's auditorium. You will certainly have an opportunity to hear some fine young speakers. Trophies, courtesy of Farmer's National Bank, will be awarded to the top speakers.

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The normal policy for 4-H activities that are scheduled for days when snow occurs is as follows. If the snow causes school to be closed, the 4-H activity is cancelled. In some cases, if early morning conditions improve by late afternoon, night 4-H programs may be held. If you've not sure, please call us.

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Mr. Charles Middleton, Meteorologist with WSET-TV in Lynchburg, will speak to the 7th and 8th grade 4-H clubs at Appomattox Middle School on Thurs., Feb. 23. This should prove to be a most interesting program as Mr. Middleton will discuss weather and weather forecasting techniques.

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The Lucky Clover 4-H Club at Pamplin is having a bottle collecting drive as a fund-raising project. Anyone in the Pamplin area having refundable soft drink bottles that they would like to donate may call any member of the Lucky Clover 4-H Club. Funds raised will be applied to the club's community service projects for the coming year.

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Fourteen Senior 4-H'ers are taking part in Public Speaking this year. We believe this is an all-time high number of Senior members in 4-H Public Speaking.

BIRTHDAYS

Walter Ranson	March 1
Bill Shorter, Jr.	March 2
Vera Crump	March 3
James Lewis	March 5
Christine Dickerson	March 6
Debbie Harris	March 8
Debbie Roach	March 10
Stella Price	March 11
Louise Rosser	March 12
Rachel Ranson	March 14
Glen Morris	March 16
Peggy Lewis	March 20
Richard Inge	March 21
Audrey Almond	March 22
Johnny Roach	March 22
Alice Taylor	March 20
Nancy Elder	March 23
Diane Inge	March 25
Lizzie Robinson	March 25
Cassie Baldwin	March 26
Steve Williams	March 30
Clara Garrett	March 30

FBLA Held Fashion Show

The February meeting of the Appomattox Chapter Future Business Leaders of America was held February 1 in the cafeteria. The meeting was called to order by the president, Judy Ayers. Melinda Davis, chaplain, gave devotions, and Sharon Roach read the minutes from the last meeting. Lonnette Reynolds gave a FBLA Week report from the committee that met January 12 and decided what to do for each day of the week of February 13 through 17 which has been designated as FBLA Week. On Monday, Feb. 13, a proclamation will be signed by Mayor Henry Pack officially declaring FBLA Week. Tuesday is Be Nice to Teachers Day. Each FBLA member will pick a teacher to be especially nice to on that day. Wednesday is Dress Right Day with FBLA members dressing as they would if they worked in an office. Thursday, FBLA'ers will arrange with their teachers to conduct the class for one day.

The following people received 100% on their Math test for January: Susan Campbell and Nancy Bean. They will receive a certificate. Also, Nugene Harvey, Matt Ranson, and Susan Shorter will get stars on their certificates because it was the second 100% for them.

Judy relinquished the chair to Garlene Gaines who introduced the program. The program was a fashion show with some business students and two special guests modeling clothes from The Clothesline in Appomattox. We would like to thank Mr. Jack Evans, manager of The Clothesline, for making this program possible. Also, a very special thanks to David Eye and Wesley Crabtree who modeled the men's fashions.

Following the fashion show, **the meeting was adjourned.**

Tommy Sesler Crusade Planned

The Steering Committee for the Central Virginia Tommy Sesler Crusade met February 2nd at Liberty Baptist Church to plan the upcoming evangelistic crusade to be held May 7 - 13 at the Appomattox High School Football Stadium. Pictured from left to right are Franklin Vaughan, Kenneth Richardson, Rev. E. V. Mitchell, Richard Robinson, Rev. Doyle Chauncey, Steve Pool, Rev. R. Q. Lawing, David Martin, John Gillette, Jr., and George Martin. Others present at the meeting were Jack Caldwell, and Rev. Larry Worley.

Plans are for an inter-denominational evangelistic crusade involving Christian churches in Appomattox and surrounding counties. Everyone is invited to attend.

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Va. Fibre Reports Wood Purchases For Week

Listed below is the total dollar volume of wood purchased by Virginia Fibre Corporation of Riverville for the week ending February 13, 1978. Purchases are listed by counties.

Albermarle	3,009.55
Amelia	9,715.88
Amherst	11,610.13
Appomattox	
Augusta	3,137.92
Bedford County	15,636.44
Buckingham	6,929.93
Campbell	2,500.41
Charlotte	2,686.97
Cumberland	3,239.57
Goochland	927.39
Halifax	2,670.77
Nelson	10,975.93
New Kent	1,111.77
Pittsylvania	2,451.96
Powhatan	2,670.52
Prince Edward	
Total	**$79,275.14**

We feel this information is of interest to our readers in Appomattox County and in adjoining counties.

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Pear Halves	16 oz.	2 cans 89¢
SMALL GREEN Butter Beans	16 oz. cans	39¢
CUT Green Beans	15½ oz. can	3 for 89¢
FRENCH SLICED Green Beans	15½ oz. can	3 for 89¢
CREAM STYLE Golden Corn	16½ oz. can	3 for 89¢
WHOLE KERNEL Golden Corn	16½ oz. can	3 for 89¢
2 SIEVE Tiny Sweet Peas	16 oz. can	3 for 89¢
3 SIEVE Sweet Peas	16 oz. can	3 for 89¢
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